

Water. The
most basic
resource is
also the most
essential.

2012
WATER RATE
INFORMATION



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Water rate increase — about 5.5¢ per day.

Your water bills pay to keep your tap water safe, reliable and there for you whenever you turn it on.

The safety of the water you drink has always been our highest priority. We constantly monitor water quality, adjust treatment processes and implement new technologies to maintain our high standards. Our water main repair and replacement program keeps a plentiful supply of water flowing to our customers' homes and the fire hydrants that guard them.

Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) has been in the forefront of water treatment technology for many years. Maintaining state-of-the-art water treatment is crucial to providing customers with the highest quality water.

On January 1, 2012 a water rate increase went into effect that will add about 5.5 cents a day or \$4.95 to the average family's quarterly bill for water. While no one wants to see rates go up, GCWW has been able to keep water rates among the lowest in the region (see back page).

Your water's cost.

The cost of water is calculated based upon the size of your meter and the amount of water you use. An average single-family household with a 5/8" meter uses about 25 CCF* of water per quarter (18,700 gallons).

The amount of water you use (billed in units of 100 cubic feet or CCF*) is multiplied by the rates in Table 1. If you know your water meter's size (most single-family homes have a 5/8" meter), use Table 2 to determine your quarterly Service Charge. Your water bill is a combination of the Water Use Charge in Table 1 and the Service Charge in Table 2.

The rates in these tables apply to water only. This rate change does not affect any other utility charges that appear separately on your bill.



Table 1. Water Use Charges

	Water Usage/Quarter in CCFs*		
	First 60	Next 1740	Over 1800
Inside City of Cincinnati (\$/CCF)	2.13	1.69	1.50
Incorporated Hamilton & Clermont Counties (\$/CCF)	2.66	2.12	1.87
Unincorporated Hamilton County (\$/CCF)	2.85	2.27	2.01
Butler & Warren Counties (\$/CCF)	3.06	2.44	2.15

*Note: 1 CCF = 748 Gallons

Table 2. Service Charges

	Meter Size				
	5/8"	3/4"	1"	1 1/2"	2"
Inside City of Cincinnati** (\$ per quarter)	12.98	22.83	30.24	48.64	68.91
Incorporated Hamilton & Clermont Counties (\$ per quarter)	13.79	24.86	32.43	50.52	70.97
Unincorporated Hamilton County (\$ per quarter)	14.79	26.65	34.76	54.16	76.08
Butler & Warren Counties (\$ per quarter)	15.86	28.59	37.29	58.10	81.62

**Includes fire hydrant repair/replacement charge

Need help
calculating your charges?

Call us at 513.591.7700

Monday – Friday

7:30 am – 5:30 pm

We’re here to help!

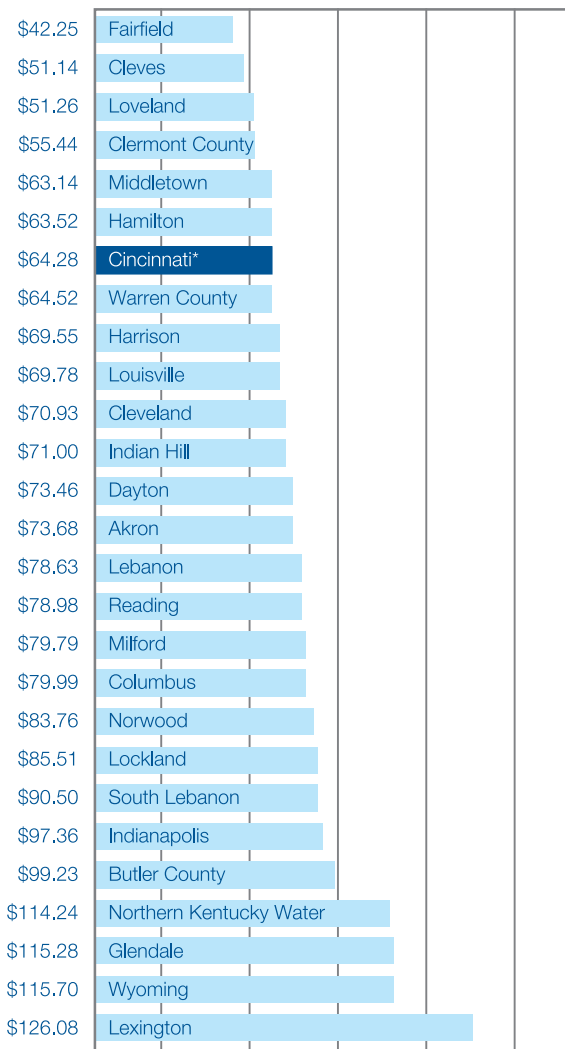
We're still lower.

No one likes to see a utility bill go up, but our cost reduction efforts have kept the average customer's increase for water to about 5.5¢ per day. GCWW did not receive a rate increase for 2011.

As you can see from the chart below, our rates are still among the lowest in the region.

Quarterly Water Costs for the Average Single-Family Household

Water Utility/Cost per Quarter for 25 CCF



*Rate effective January 2012

**Does not include fire hydrant fee